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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was held under gray winter skies on Tuesday, December 11, 2012

Rotarians and their guests were greeted warmly at the door by Charles Beall. Ticket sales were ably handled by Bobby Baehr and Brian Bell - no extra points were given for alliteration. President Innes called the meeting to order and led the club in the Four Way Test. Henry Roberts was called to the podium to lead the club in prayer and the pledge to our flag. President Innes called Earl Hutto to the podium to solicit assistance with the Salvation Army bellringing duties. Earl and his team are coming down the holiday home stretch and they need more help in insuring that all stations are adequately covered over the holidays. Please sign up if you have not done so already. Susan O'Connor then announced our annual Christmas program at next week's meeting. Entertainment will be provided by our very own Rotary Rooters plus accompaniment by young singers from the Belmont Youth group. This is always a festive event so please be sure to come and bring your significant other for great holiday fellowship and cheer. President Innes then presented a letter from a US serviceman on the ground in Afghanistan and thanking her for a care package recently sent to him by a small group that Innes is working with on an initiative to support our troops overseas.

Innes said to expect further details at next week's meeting plus an email notification to be sent out the members shortly. President Innes then introduced our newest Paul Harris Fellow - Bob Fargo. Way to go Bob! The raffle pot was a Scrooge-like \$48 and was hauled off by Leonard Schwartz. Mr. Sunshine aka Scott Grisset then sashayed to the podium and introduced 2 military guests. Scott then eaked out a real groaner of a joke having to do with a nativity scene on the Notre Dame campus - ouch. Scott then quickly segued into the introduction of 1 visiting Rotarian and 4 guests of Rotarians. Scott then presented an Alabama Christmas Ode penned by Sam Woodward and available on Facebook. The bottom line of the ode - do not bring a leprechaun to an elephant fight - Roll Tide! Scott then led the club in a rousing version of Happy Birthday You All in honor of our birthday boys and girls. Scott then mentioned a wager that he had proposed to Susan O'Connor for the winner of the upcoming NCAA national championship game between the Alabama Crimson Tide and the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. If Alabama wins, Susan must contribute to one of the Rotary supported non-profits. If Notre Dame wins, Scott will wear a leprechaun suit and greet customers at one of Susan's McDonald's restaurants and wear the outfit to a Rotary meeting. The two competitors shook hands on the deal so game on! Susan then introduced today's

program - Pensacola Bay Area Impact 100 and represented by current President Holly Jurnovoy. Holly stated that Impact 100 officially started in Pensacola in 2004 and since that time the group has awarded over \$4.3 million in grants to local non-profits. The group was the brainchild of local civic leader Debbie Ritchie who had read about a similar group that was having a great impact in Cincinnati. The local group had an initial goal of recruiting 100 philanthropic women who would each contribute \$1000. The group achieved membership of 278 in the initial year and that number has increased to 728 currently. Holly provided a recap of several of the grants - there have been a total of 39 to 34 non-profits in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties. The recipients of the grants include a very diverse range of causes including Manna Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Pace Center for Girls, Interfaith Ministries, Appetite for Life and Autism Pensacola to name but a few. Holly stated that the group seeks quality applications and several of the grants have had a significant impact on not only the non-profits but also on the causes they support. Susan thanked Holly and her group for their positive impact on our community.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted M. Blaise Adams

## ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ See where Susan O'Connor's been named to the Junior Achievement Hall of Fame!
- ❖ Didjknow that our ex-President Margaret Stopp now is president of the Pensacola State College Foundation Board of Governors?
- ❖ When young chorus members introduced sponsors for the Children's Chorus concerts, Randy Jackson's niece did a great job...for Randy's church is "home" to the chorus.
- ❖ Art Hufford's wife has held a super Christmas party for years... but her invitation declared that the December 12<sup>th</sup> event would be

"the finale."

- ❖ Bob Palmer's daughter, Laura, who's a navy chaplain, is winding up her required landside church term and soon will be serving aboard ship...somewhere.
- ❖ David Stafford, Grover Robinson and most of the area's politicians were in attendance December 6<sup>th</sup> when the courthouse was dedicated to honor Ernie Mahaha's 56 years of service. John Appleyard provided the historical background of the Court of Record.

## 2012-2013 Club Officers

◆ President	Innes C. Richards
◆ Past President	Alan B. Bookman
◆ President Elect	David Stafford
◆ Secretary	Leslie Halsall
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◆ Sergeant At Arms	Tim Kane
◆ Historian	John Appleyard

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## Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	New World Landing	Mon.	12:15 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends Restaurant	Tues.	7:00 am
	Andrews Institute		
Milton	Red Barn on Hwy. 90	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	5:30 pm
Perdido	Triggers Restaurant	Wed.	7:30 am
Cantonment	Scenic Hills Country Club	Wed.	12:15 pm
Cordova	Gulf Coast Kid's House	Thur.	7:00 am
Pace	Stonebrook Village	Thur.	7:00 am
Suburban West	Pensacola Yacht Club	Thur.	12:00 pm
Navarre	The Tuscan Grill	Thur.	12:00 pm
	Hidden Creek Golf Course		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

## District Governor

Edward Philman  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

Robert W. Schuster

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Birthdays for the week of  
December 18th through January 18th**

**Brad Butcher** – December 19 – born in Chippewa Falls, WI, in Rotary 25 years  
**Bobby Switzer** - December 20 - born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 21 years  
**Jerry Maygarden** – December 22 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 23 years  
**Alan Moore** – December 23 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 9 years  
**LaVonne Agerton** - December 26 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 17 years  
**Dale Jordan** – December 27 – born in Huntsville, AL, in Rotary 21 years  
**Betty Roberts** – January 1 – born in McComb, MS, in Rotary 8 years  
**Denise Windham** – January 2 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 11 years  
**Sherry Hartnett** – January 4 – born in Alexandria, VA, in Rotary 7 years

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

### December 18:

Greeters: Howard Bell and Gary Bemby  
Ticket Sales: Judy Bense and George Biggs

### January 8:

Greeters: Alexis Bolin and Alan Bookman  
Ticket Sales: Shawn Brantley

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

### December 18:

Prayer/Pledge: Roger Vinson  
Sunshine: Scott Grissett

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

### December

18 – Christmas Program – Rooters & Belmont Youth Group  
25 – No meeting (Happy Holidays!)

### January

1 – No meeting (Happy New Year!)  
8 – Bill of Rights, John Appleyard  
15 – Rotarian Surendra Bommireddy  
22 – Boy Scouts, Bryant Perkins  
29 – UWF College of Business, Dr. Ed Ranelli

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